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TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY BAMAKO IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24): PUERTO RICO

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1. POSSIBILITY OF C-24 CONSENSUS STATEMENT TO BE READ BY  
CHAIRMAN AT CONCLUSION OF DELIBERATIONS ON PUERTO RICO  
SEEMS TO BE RECEDING. WE NOW EXPECT A MOTION TO CONCLUDE  
THE DISCUSSIONS WITHOUT A VOTE ON THE DRAFT CUBAN RESOLUTION  
(AS IN 1975). A VOTE ON SUCH A MOTION IS LIKELY SEPT. 2.

2. WE BELIEVE THAT THE MOTION WILL PASS IF SUPPORTED BY

ETHIOPIA, SIERRA LEONE, YUGOSLAVIA, CHILE AND TUNISIA.  
OUR PROSPECTS WILL BE IMPROVED IF MALI CAN BE PERSUADED  
TO ABSTAIN. THE ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION HAS INFORMED THE C-24  
VICE CHAIRMAN THAT THEY WOULD NOT EXCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY  
OF VOTING FOR THE MOTION IF IT APPEARED THAT THEIR VOTE  
WOULD BE DECISIVE. USUN HAS HAD GENERALLY SUPPORTIVE  
STATEMENTS FROM SIERRA LEONE, YUGOSLAVIA, CHILE AND TUNISIA,  
BUT IN EACH CASE THE POINT HAS BEEN MADE THAT INSTRUCTIONS  
HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED. WE SPOKE TO YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR  
IN WASHINGTON ON AUGUST 30 (SEPTTEL), WHO MADE NO COMMITMENT  
ON THIS SCORE BUT SPOKE OF YUGOSLAV NEED TO STAY WITH NON-  
ALIGNED ON THIS ISSUE.

3. FOR ADDIS ABABA: UNLESS YOU BELIEVE IT WILL BE COUN-  
TERPRODUCTIVE, INFORM THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OF SITUATION  
DESCRIBED IN PARA 1 AND THAT ETHIOPIA'S VOTE COULD BE  
DECISIVE. EMPHASIS SHOULD BE PLACED ON OUR DESIRE TO  
AVOID CONFRONTATIONAL DEBATE AND THAT THIS MOTION WOULD  
HAVE SAME EFFECT AS SIMILAR MOTION IN 1975, I.E. TO CLOSE  
DISCUSSION FOR THE YEAR BUT KEEP THE QUESTION ON THE  
AGENDA FOR NEXT YEAR.

4. FOR FREETOWN, BELGRADE, SANTIAGO AND TUNIS: UNLESS YOU  
BELIEVE IT WILL BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE, FOREIGN MINISTRY  
SHOULD BE INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENT DESCRIBED PARA 1 AND  
SHOULD BE URGED TO SEND INSTRUCTIONS TO UN MISSIONS TO  
SUPPORT A MOTION TO ADJOURN DISCUSSION FOR THE YEAR WITH-  
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OUT A VOTE ON A RESOLUTION.

5. FOR BAMAKO: FOREIGN MINISTRY SHOULD BE INFORMED OF  
SITUATION DESCRIBED PARA 1 AND SHOULD BE INFORMED THAT  
WE HOPE MALI MISSION WILL BE INSTRUCTED NOT TO OPPOSE THE  
MOTION.

6. WE UNDERSTAND CUBANS HAVE MADE MINOR AMENDMENTS IN  
THEIR DRAFT RESOLUTION. THEY ARE NOW CALLING FOR THE  
RELEASE OF "THE PUERTO RICAN POLITICAL PRISONERS"  
RATHER THAN THE "FIVE NATIONALIST PRISONERS." IF HOST  
GOVERNMENT RAISES THIS POINT, YOU SHOULD POINT OUT THAT  
FROM USG POINT OF VIEW THE REVISED DRAFT IS AS  
UNACCEPTABLE AS THE ORIGINAL.

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